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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL RESPONSE TO CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE
ON HIS ASSUMPTION OF OFFICE

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO
CSU CHAIRMAN FRANZ JOSEF STRAUSS:

BEGIN TEXT.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN:

PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR YOUR KIND
MESSAGE ON MY ASSUMPTION OF OFFICE AS PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES. MAY I EXPRESS THE HOPE FOR, AND MY
COMMITMENT TO, CONTINUED COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO
PEOPLES.

SINCERELY,
GERALD R. FORD
END TEXT.

FYI. FOLLOWING IS STRAUSS' MESSAGE:

QUOTE. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: I EXTEND TO YOU ALSO ON
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BEHALF OF THE CHRISTIAN SOCIAL UNION MY BEST WISHES FOR

MASTERING THE TREMENDOUS TASK WHICH IS NOW IMPOSED UPON
YOU. I AM PROFOUNDLY CONVINCED THAT YOUR PERSON IS A

RELIABLE GUARANTEE FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE DEEPLY

ROOTED GERMAN-AMERICAN COOPERATION. WITH KIND REGARDS,
FRANZ JOSEF STRAUSS. END QUOTE.

3. NEITHER WHITE HOUSE NOR DEPARTMENT PLAN TO RELEASE
TEXT OF PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE BUT HAVE NO OBJECTION TO ITS
RELEASE BY RECIPIENT. KISSINGER

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